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Hunt et al)	Group Art Unit: 1725
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Application No.: 10/668,255)	Filed: September 24, 2003
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Title: METHOD FOR BONDING)	Examiner: L.R. Edmondson
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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action issued April 17, 2006. The Examiner set a three-month period for response. A petition and authorization for a three-month extension of time are attached, making this Reply due on October 17, 2006.

Remarks appear on page 2 of this paper.